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Dublin Caſtle, May 26.

THIS Day the Right Honourable the Houſe of Peers waited upon his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant with the following Addreſs to his Excellency.

To his Excellency George Lord Viſcount Townſhend, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland.

The humble Addreſs of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament aſſembled.

May it pleaſe your Excellency,

WE, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament aſſembled, cannot look back upon what has paſſed during the preſent Seſſions of Parliament, which now ſeems to be drawing near to its Concluſion, without obſerving, with Gratitude and Pleaſure, how eminently it is diſtinguiſhed by the many uſeful Bills which have received your Excellency's kind Countenance and Aſſiſtance, and moſt eminently by the Bill for limiting the Duration of Parliaments, which, having paſſed into a Law, will for ever reflect the higheſt Glory and Honour upon your Excellency's Adminiſtration.

Your Excellency's many publick and private Virtues have moſt deſervedly acquired our greateſt Eſteem; and it is but juſt that we ſhould expreſs it, as we now beg Leave to do. But this Expreſſion would be inadequate did we not add to it, as we moſt ſincerely do, our grateful and hearty Thanks to your Excellency for your faithful and moſt diſintereſted Conduct, for your vigilant and unwearied Attention to, and your zealous Endeavours to promote and preſerve the Trade, Manufactures, the Peace, and Proſperity of this Kingdom.

We cannot but have remarked, and we muſt honour and admire the amiable Humanity, Charity, Condeſcenſion, and Goodneſs, by which your Excellency has rendered your Government honourable and reſpectable in itſelf, and highly ſatisfactory and agreeable to us.

To this permit us, with all humble Submiſſion and Duty to His Majeſty, to ſubjoin our Wiſhes and our Hopes, that as far as may conſiſt with His Majeſty's Affairs, your Excellency, ſo acceptable to us as our Chief Governor, may not ſoon be taken from us.

W. Watts Gayer, } Cler' Parliamentor'
Edward Gayer, }

To which Addreſs his Excellency was pleaſed to return the following Anſwer, viz.

My Lords,

YOUR Approbation of my Endeavours for the Publick Service gives me the moſt ſenſible Satisfaction, and deſerves my ſincereſt Acknowledgments. Your Lordſhips may be aſſured, that the Intereſt and Proſperity of this Kingdom ſhall be the conſtant Objects of my Care and Attention.

This Day the Honourable Houſe of Commons waited upon his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, with the following Addreſs to His Excellency.

To his Excellency George Lord Viſcount Townſhend, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland.

The humble Addreſs of the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeſſes in Parliament aſſembled.

May it pleaſe your Excellency,

WE, His Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Ireland in Parliament aſſembled, think it our Duty to return your Excellency our moſt ſincere Thanks for your mild, juſt, and prudent Adminiſtration.

Happy in having devoted our own Exiſtence to the Liberties of our Country, we find ourſelves under an indiſpenſible Obligation, at our approaching Diſſolution, to expreſs the warmeſt Acknowledgments to a Chief Governor, in whoſe Adminiſtration, and with whoſe Aſſiſtance, we have been gratified with the noble Opportunity of diſtinguiſhing ourſelves from our Predeceſſors, by leaving to Poſterity a Monument of our diſintereſted Love for the People we have the Honour to repreſent; and an Example, that the Happineſs of our Conſtituents has in our own Breaſts taken Place of every other Conſideration.

The many good Laws obtained during this Seſſion of Parliament, particularly thoſe for the Encouragement of Tillage, and the Support of our Manufactures, and the Fund which has ſo happily been eſtabliſhed for the Reduction of our National Debt, by the Tax on Abſentees, will ever remain the moſt laſting and honourable Memorials of your Excellency's Adminiſtration, and will, in as eminent a Degree, diſtinguiſh your Publick, as the moſt amiable Manners adorn your Excellency's Private Character.

We chearfully embrace this Opportunity of aſſuring your Excellency we have the firmeſt Reliance, founded on His Majeſty's paternal Regard for his People, and your Excellency's affectionate Wiſhes for the Proſperity of this Kingdom, that all ſuch Laws, as may be neceſſary for the further Improvement of our Conſtitution, will be obtained at ſuch Time as His Majeſty in His Royal Wiſdom ſhall think moſt ſeaſonable.

Impreſſed with the deepeſt Sentiments of Gratitude to the beſt of Kings, we have, during the whole Courſe of His Majeſty's Reign, ſupported His Majeſty's Government with Dignity and Honour; and from your Excellency's known Juſtice and Candour, we have the fulleſt Confidence, that your Excellency will make the moſt favourable Repreſentation to His Majeſty of the inviolable Attachment of the Commons of Ireland to His Majeſty's ſacred Perſon, and illuſtrious Family.

E. Sterling, } Cler. Domr. Com.
H. Alcock, }

[Price Three-Pence.]

To which Addreſs his Excellency was pleaſed to return the following Anſwer, viz.

Gentlemen,

I Return you my ſincereſt Thanks for this very kind Addreſs: I receive, with particular Satisfaction, this honourable Approbation of my Conduct.—— It was my Duty, and it will always be my Inclination, to promote the true Intereſt and Proſperity of this Kingdom to the utmoſt of my Power.—— I will moſt faithfully repreſent to His Majeſty your conſtant and affectionate Zeal for His Perſon, Family, and Government.

Dublin-Caſtle, May 27.

THIS Day his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant went in State to the Houſe of Peers, and being ſeated on the Throne with the uſual Solemnity, gave the Royal Aſſent to the following Bills:

An Act for licenſing Hawkers and Pedlars, and for Encouragement of Engliſh Proteſtant Schools.

An Act for continuing, reviving, and amending ſeveral temporary Statutes, and other Purpoſes therein mentioned.

An Act to continue and amend an Act paſſed in the third Year of His Majeſty's Reign, intitled, An Act to amend and explain an Act made in the thirty-third Year of the Reign of Henry the Eighth, intitled, An Act for Tythes, and for other Purpoſes therein mentioned.

An Act for promoting the Trade of Ireland, by enabling the Merchants thereof to erect an Exchange in the City of Dublin.

An Act for the further Preſervation of Woods and Timber Trees.

An Act for the Encouragement of Tillage and Navigation, by granting a Bounty on the Carriage of Corn Coaſtways.

An Act for the Relief of Debtors, with Reſpect to the Impriſonment of their Perſons.

An Act for applying the Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds, granted by Parliament to the Corporation for promoting and carrying on an Inland Navigation in this Kingdom, to be by them applied in carrying on a Navigation from the City of Limerick, to the deep navigable Water above the Town of Killaloe, and for encouraging other Perſons to ſubſcribe for carrying on and compleating the ſaid Work, at their own Expence.

An Act for the further Improvement of His Majeſty's Revenue, and for continuing and amending ſeveral Acts therein particularly mentioned.

An Act to amend an Act made for the better Preſervation of Corn.

And to Four Private Bills.

And then his Excellency was pleaſed to make a Speech to both Houſes of Parliament, which is as follows:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

THE advanced Seaſon of the Year, and the extraordinary Length of your Attendance, make it neceſſary for you to return to your ſeveral Countries as ſoon as poſſible.

Amongſt the many good Laws which have been paſſed, it was with particular Satisfaction that I gave the Royal Aſſent to that for limiting the Duration of Parliaments: His Majeſty's gracious Condeſcenſion to His Subjects, in that Inſtance, calls for the warmeſt Returns of Gratitude and Affection; and I truſt it will be productive of the moſt ſubſtantial and permanent Advantages to the Kingdom in general.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Commons,

I am commanded to thank you, in His Majeſty's Name, for the Supplies which have been granted to ſupport the preſent Eſtabliſhment; and, you may be aſſured, they ſhall be applied, with the utmoſt Frugality, to the Purpoſes for which they were intended.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

That the Inconveniencies, which unavoidably attend a General Election, may be as little felt as poſſible, His Majeſty, in His Paternal Goodneſs, hath commanded me, with all convenient Speed, to diſſolve the preſent Parliament, and to iſſue Writs for calling a New One, as ſoon as the uſual and conſtitutional Courſe of Proceedings in like Caſes will permit.

But His Majeſty will not put an End to this Parliament, without having firſt thanked you for the many eminent Proofs which you have given him of your inviolable Fidelity and Attachment to His Perſon, Family and Government: Nor can His Majeſty in the leaſt doubt of receiving freſh Marks of the ſame Affection, Loyalty, and Zeal, in the Choice of Repreſentatives at the next General Election.

I recommend it to you, moſt earneſtly, that, by your Example and Authority, you do, in your ſeveral Stations, preſerve that good Order, and due Execution of the Laws, ſo peculiarly neceſſary at this Time.

And that you do, by your Firmneſs and Prudence, diſcountenance the repeated Attempts, which have been made by falſe Repreſentations, to alienate the Affections of the People; to fill their Minds with groundleſs Jealouſies; and ſtir up unjuſt Complaints.

I return you my warmeſt Acknowledgments for the very honourable and obliging Manner in which you have expreſſed your Approbation of my Conduct, and I deſire you will be aſſured that my beſt Endeavours ſhall, upon every Occaſion, be uniformly and ſtrenuouſly exerted to promote the Intereſt and Proſperity of Ireland.

And then the Lord Chancellor declared, that it was his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant's Pleaſure, That this Parliament be prorogued to the 14th Day of June next; and the Parliament was accordingly prorogued to the 14th Day of June next.

Dublin Caſtle.

By the Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland,

A PROCLAMATION.

Townſhend.

WHEREAS His Majeſty hath ſignified unto us His Royal Pleaſure, that the preſent Parliament of this Kingdom, which now ſtands prorogued to the Fourteenth Day of June next, be forthwith diſſolved.

We the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, in Obedience to His Majeſty's Commands, do publiſh and declare that the ſaid Parliament be, and accordingly the ſaid Parliament is hereby diſſolved. And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgeſſes of the Houſe of Commons, are diſcharged from their Meeting and Attendance on the ſaid Fourteenth Day of June next.

Given at His Majeſty's Caſtle of Dublin, the 28th Day of May, 1768.

By his Excellency's Command,
Frederick Campbell.

God Save the King.

Whitehall, June 4, 1768.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That an anonimus threatening incendiary Letter was put under the Street-Door of the House of John Carter, Esq; Mayor of Portsmouth, in the Night of Thursday the 26th of May last, and there found about Eleven o'Clock, directed as hereunder, containing the Words and Letters following, viz.

To

Mr: Carter

" Sir I have sent you this to let you know my " mind, that as you could have prevented the " Act,s being past, for the paving of Portsmouth, " & did not: but on the contreary Us'd your power " to bring it to pass. If you do not use your power " now to put a Stop to its execution. I give you " my word that when I see the paving is begun I'll " sur'ly Set on fire all your possessions in this Town. " So will i to all of the first Committee who formd " the Act. if they do not postpone it for a few years " or lay it wholy a side. And let them Collect Mony " to Reimbust them Selvs, as soon as they can. So " if you, nor they Reguard me not you Shall surely " find come to pass what I have Said a bove. I " have very Capable hand to do the Work"

His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in the Writing and Sending the said anonimous threatening Letter to the said John Carter, Esq; at Portsmouth, is hereby pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of them, (except the Person who actually wrote the said Letter) who shall discover his, her, or their Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

SHELBURNE.

And, as a farther Encouragement, the said John Carter does hereby promise a Reward of Fifty Pounds *to any Person or Persons (except as before excepted) who shall discover his, her, or their Accomplices; to be paid upon the Conviction of any one or more of them.*

John Carter.

And, as a still further Encouragement for the discovering and bringing to Justice the Person or Persons concerned therein, the Committee, who were appointed to prepare the Bill for Paving the said Town of Portsmouth, do hereby promise an additional Reward of Fifty Pounds *to any Person or Persons making such Discovery as aforesaid, (except as above excepted) to be paid by their President Mr. James Bucknall, of Portsmouth aforesaid, Merchant, upon the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.*

James Bucknall.

And, for the more speedy and effectual Discovery of the Person or Persons concerned in writing or sending the said Letter, the Commissioners appointed for putting in Execution an Act of Parliament passed in the present Year of His Majesty's Reign, intitled, " An Act for " the better Paving and Cleansing the Streets and " other publick Passages in the Town of Portsmouth in " the County of Southampton; and for preventing " Nusances and Annoyances therein, and for widening " and rendering the same more commodious," do promise a Reward (over and above what is offered as aforesaid) of Fifty Pounds *to any Person or Persons who shall discover his, her, or their Accomplice or Accomplices, (except as before excepted) to be paid upon the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders, by Mr. William Norris, of Portsmouth aforesaid, Brewer, Treasurer to the said Commissioners.*

Wm. Norris.

Equivalent Office. June 1, 1768.

The Court of Directors of the Equivalent Company give Notice, that the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut on Wednesday the 15th of this instant, and continue so till Wednesday the 6th of July next, in order to settle the Dividend of Two per Cent. due the 5th of July next; and that the Warrants for the said Dividend will be ready to be delivered out and paid on Wednesday the 6th of July next, and afterwards every Wednesday, from Eleven in the Forenoon to One in the Afternoon, at the Equivalent-House in Warnford-Court Throgmorton-Street, London, and at their Office in Edinburgh,

James Mathias, *Secretary.*

South Sea House, June 2, 1768.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That the Transfer Books of New South Sea Annuities will be shut on Thursday the 23d Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened on Thursday the 28th of July next.

That the Transfer Books of 3 per Cent. Annuities 1751, will be shut on Thursday the 16th Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened on Thursday the 14th of July next.

That the Transfer Books of the Capital Stock will be shut on Monday the 27th Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened on Friday the 29th of July next.

And that the Warrants for the Half-Year's Dividend on the Capital Stock, and the Half-Year's Interest on the New South Sea Annuities, both due the 5th of July next, will be paid on Tuesday the 9th and Wednesday the 10th of August following; on which Days of Payment the Transfer Books of the New South Sea Annuities and South Sea Stock will be shut.

SALISBURY RACES.

ON Wednesday the 29th of June, 1768, will be run for on Salisbury Course, the King's Plate of One Hundred Guineas, by any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, not more than Six Years old, carrying 12 Stone, the best of three Four Mile Heats. If any Disputes arise, they are to be determined by the Right Honourable the Earl of Pembroke, or whom he shall appoint.

THE Creditors of James Straton and Co. late of West Smithfield, London, Druggists, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said James Straton, the surviving Partner, a Bankrupt, at the Half-Moon Tavern in Cheapside, London, on Wednesday the 15th of June Instant, at Six o'Clock in the Evening.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against George Spence, late of St. Mary Axe, London, Merchant, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Wednesday next the 8th Day of June instant, at Five o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Three Tuns Tavern in Gracechurch-Street, London, to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, and defending one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity touching the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to the compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Disputes relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Charles Hart, late of Richmond in the County of Surry, Grocer, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees under the said Commission, on Wednesday next, at Four of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Will's Coffee-House in Cornhill, London, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity for the Recovery of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; and also compounding or otherwise agreeing, any Thing or Matter relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

PUrsuant to an Order made by the Right Honourable Charles Lord Camden, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, for Enlarging the Time for John Samuel Schutze, of Laurence Poultney Lane, London, Merchant, (a Bankrupt) to surrender himself, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects, for Forty-nine Days, to be computed from the 4th Day of June instant; This is to give Notice, that the Commissioners in the said Commission named and authorized, or the major Part of them, will meet on the 23d Day of July next, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where the said Bankrupt is required to surrender himself, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects, and finish his Examination; and the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are then and there to come and prove the same, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

PUrsuant to an Order made by the Right Honourable Charles Lord Camden, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, for Enlarging the Time for Mary Reda, of the Parish of St. Martin in the Fields in the County of Middlesex, Milliner, (a Bankrupt) to surrender herself, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of her Estate and Effects, for Ten Days, to be computed from the 31st Day of May last; This is to give Notice, that the Commissioners in the said Commission named and authorized, or the major Part of them, will meet on the 10th Day of June instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where the said Bankrupt is required to surrender herself, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of her Estate and Effects, and finish her Examination; and the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, may then and there come and prove the same, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of her Certificate.

WHereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Thomas Blockley the Younger, of Rotherhith in the County of Surry, Lock-Smith, Tyre Smith, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the